

Remarks

In view of the above amendments and the following remarks, reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested. In the present Response, no claims have been cancelled, and no claims have been added; however, claims 11-19, 20-23, and 24-27 have been withdrawn from consideration. Consequently, claims 1-10 and 28-39 are currently pending and under consideration.

Beginning on page 2 of the Office Action, the Applicants were required to elect one of the following groups:

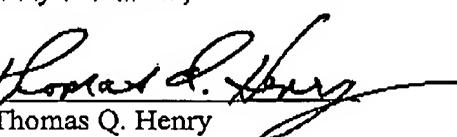
Group I: Speech controlled system particularly for voice dialing purpose
Group II: Testing/probing a server
Group III: Generating new logical sequence number
Group IV: Allocating an internal buffer

In response to the restriction requirement, the Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, Group I for prosecution. Consequently, claims 11-19, 20-23, and 24-27 have been withdrawn for consideration in possible divisional applications.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance, and the Examiner is requested to pass the case to issue. If the Examiner should have any comments or suggestions to help speed the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is requested to contact the Applicants' undersigned representative by telephone.

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